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### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Since I wrote my November bulletin, the weather in Alberta has improved substantially. The weather was ideal, the weekend of November 5, and Marion and I drove to Edmonton to attend the Edmonton Numismatic Society's fall Coin Show. As usual, I did not find much in the way of wooden nickels but I did meet one dealer from Moose Jaw who had a couple of Older Saskatchewan wood and I also picked up a wood from Utah that I will save for member Richard Blaylock from Utah. A friend also presented me with an Alberta wood I had not previously seen. The wood is standard size and is printed in blue on both sides. One side features a buffalo and reads Slam Patch / Buffalo Chip / Wainright, AB. The other side has a curling rock and reads; World Curling Tour / Grand Slam of CURLING. Marion and I are volunteering at the Olympic Curling Trials in Edmonton in early December and I will attempt to research this token with the curling devotees who will be in attendance at that time.

While in Edmonton I spoke to Matt Sztym. Matt is recovering from a recent illness and is well on his way to recovery. On behalf of all members of CAWMC, I passed on our wishes for a continued speedy recovery and advised him that we look forward to seeing him at future numismatic events. I would also like to wish a speedy recovery to any of our members, or their families, who are suffering from any illness. I especially echo Norm's well wishes, mentioned in the November bulletin, to John Regitko and Larry White.

Speaking of John I wish to congratulate him on his life membership award awarded at our annual meeting in Edmonton. The award was well deserved.

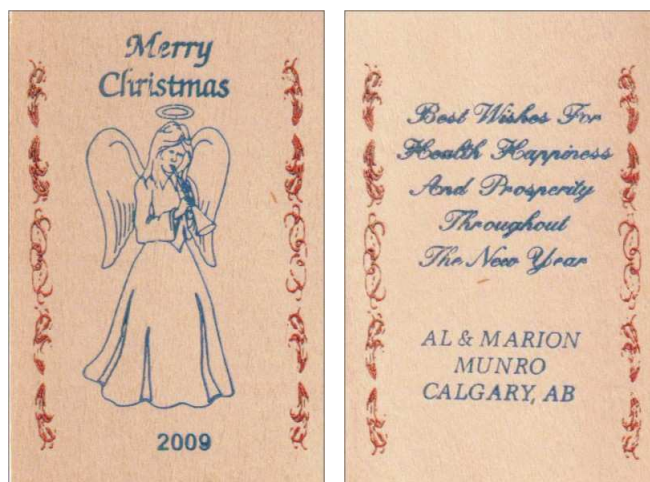
Fall is also the time to renew your memberships in all the clubs, including CAWMC, and I encourage you to fill in the renewal forms sent with the November bulletin. I have received a few renewals and expect to receive more in the near future.

In closing, I would like to remind you again that Timber Talk is the life line of our hobby and I continue to ask on behalf of our editor that you take a few minutes and write a short article for inclusion in the bulletin. The article could be on how you started collecting wood, your favorite wood, how you discovered a new wood or a request for assistance in identifying a wood in your collection.

If you have any question of me, please call me at 403-273-6133, email me at [wood5cents@shaw.ca](mailto:wood5cents@shaw.ca) or write me at Box 2643, Station M, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 3C1.

**PAST PRESIDENTS:****Garry Braunwarth: 1975 - 1977****Victor Hall: 1977 - 1979 \*****Don Robb: 1979 - 1981****Stanley Clute: 1981 - 1983****Neil Probert: 1983 - 1985****Norm Belsten: 1985 - 1991****Pat White: 1991 - 1995 \*****Lou Vesh: 1995 - 2001****Earl Salterio: 2001 - 2003 \*****Norm Belsten: 2003 - 2005****( \* Deceased )*****FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH***

Again the December wood was donated by Al & Marion Munro, who have donated their Christmas flat for the last several years. Thanks on behalf of the members to Al & Marion



The woods are blue design & verse with red borders

**CAWMC OFFICERS**

President: AL MUNRO

Vice-president: DAVE GILLESPIE

Secretary-Treasurer and Membership Chairman: AL MUNRO

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Elected Members of the Board of Governors:  
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DAVE GILESPIE, ED MacPHERSON,  
LOU VESH, JAMES WILLISTON.

**APPOINTED OFFICERS**

Editor: Tony Hine

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Distribution-United States: Richard Blaylock

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Auction coordinator: AL MUNRO DUES:

Membership dues in the Canadian Association  
Of Wooden Money Collectors are:

Canadian Residents: \$10.00 Canadian Funds

United States Residents: \$10.00 U.S. Funds

International Members Rate (outside of Canada

And the U.S.): \$20.00 Canadian Funds

Youth (16 years of age and under): \$5.00

Dues paid to Mr. Al Munro, Box 2643

Stn. 'M' Calgary, AB, Canada T2P 3C1

***FREE WOODS MAILED THIS MONTH:***

"Free Woods" for the calendar year 2009 are being mailed, or personally distributed, to all CAWMC members this month. The "free woods" included are from February 2009 to January 2010. You will recall that since the January 2009 flat had a Christmas 2008 message, it was included in last year's mailing. Similarly this year, the January 2010 "free wood" flat relates to Christmas this year 2009, and is therefore, being included in this mailing,

Once again, please note that the January 2010 "free wood" flat is being mailed now, as it is Christmas 2009 related.

A very sincere "Thank You" to all who have donated "free woods" to CAWMC, for distribution this year, and in the past. A big "Thank You" also to our 'Friend In The Woods', Lou Vesh, who for 16 years now, has made and donated the large protective, cardboard inserts in which these woods are mailed. Hopefully, all woods will arrive safely.

***REMINDER***

Have you mailed your CAWMC 2010 membership renewal to Al Munro yet? Do it now before you forget.

***SCARBOROUGH COIN CLUB WOODS TO DATE***

Anniversary (Dec.)	Norm Belsten Code Number	Year	Mintage	Obverse Colour of ink	Reverse Colour of ink	Quantity Nov. 10, 2009
5 th	002	1980	500	Black	Black	52
6 th	003	1981	250	Black	Black	Sold out
7 th	009	1982	200	Black	Black	15
8 th	010	1983	200	Red	Blue	Sold Out
9 th	019A	1984	200	Red	Blue	58
Special Toronto	019	1984	200	Blue	Red	17
10 th	029	1985	250	Blue	Blue*	30
Special (Dick Dunn)	028	1985	250	Red	Red *	Sold Out
11 th	042	1986	200	Green	Green *	51
Special (A. Thomson)	041	1986	100	Blue	Blue *	Sold Out
12 th	044	1987	150	Green	Green *	15
13 th	067	1988	200	Blue	Blue *	29
14 th	072	1989	100	Green	Blue *	27
15 th	073	1990	150	Black	Green *	4
16 th	08	1991	100	Red	Blue *	Sold Out
17 th	085	1992	100	Black	Blue *	Sold Out
18 th	087	1993	100	Red *	Red *	Sold Out
19th	088	1994	100	Blue*	Green*	Sold Out
20th	094	1995	100	Green*	Blue*	Sold out
21st	095	1996	100	Red*	Red*	Sold out
1st Coin Show (June 7)	096	1997	100	Red*	Red*	15
22nd	097	1997	100	Blue*	Green*	Sold out
2 nd Coin Show ( June 6)	098	1998	100	Blue*	Red*	15
23rd	099	1998	150	Red*	Red*	42
3rd Coin Show	100	1999	100	Green*	Red*	13
24th	102	1999	150	Blue/Red*	Red*	36
25 th Error **	101	1999	150	Red*	Red*	30
4 th Coin Show	103	2000	100	Blue*	Blue*	20
25th	106	2000	150	Blue*	Red*	26
5th Coin Show	107	2001	100	Blue*	Green*	33
26 th	111	2001	150	Red*	Rainbow*	31
6th Coin Show	112	1998	100	Green*	Black	8
27th	113	2002	150	Green*	Red*	57
7th Coin Show	114	2003	100	Green*	Green*	10
28th	115	2003	150	Copper*	Copper*	43
8th Coin show	117	2004	100	Red*	Red*	41
29th	118	2004	150	Blue*	Blue*	60
(9th Coin Show)	119	2005	100	Black*	Black*	35
30th	120	2005	150	Gold*	Gold*	72
10th Coin Show (Nov. 11)	123	2006	100	Blue*	Blue*	42
31st	124	2006	100	Red*	Red*	17
11th Coin Show (Nov. 3)	125	2007	100	Green*	Green*	42
32 nd	126	2007	100	Light Blue*	Light Blue*	13
12th Coin Show Nov. 1)	127	2008	100	Black*	Black*	67
33rd	128	2008	100	Green*	Green*	26
13th Coin Show (June7)	130	2009	100	Green*	Green*	76
34th	131	2009	100	Blue*	Blue*	50
Club wood sets of 36woods						5

Notes:

Common reverse 1980 and 1981

Common reverse 1983 and 1984

Common reverse from 1985 to 2009

\* Foil Stamped

\*\* Error- Printed 25th should have been 24th

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### Update on Scarborough Coin Club Woods

The Scarborough Coin Club just released a wood for our 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Coin Show on November 7, 2009. We produced 100 woods with green foil stamp on both sides. For our club's 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary at our December 2009 meeting we produced 100 woods with blue foil stamp on both sides.

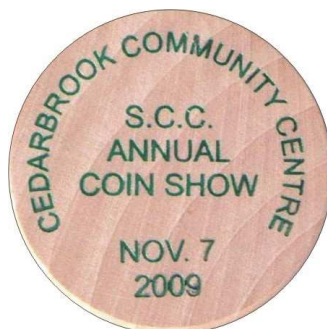
Our club's first wood was released in December 1980 for our 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary. In total we have made 47 different woods for anniversaries, coin shows and three special woods. We have 11 issues that are sold out so collectors are looking for these woods to complete their collection.

We have a 36 piece set of woods for sale at \$18.00 which includes postage. The 2 piece set for 2009 is available for \$2.00 per set which includes postage. Make cheque payable to the Scarborough Coin Club. Mail your order to David Bawcutt 75 Claremore Ave. Scarborough, ON M1N 3S2.

Submitted by: David Bawcutt, President, Scarborough Coin Club



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### TIMBER TALK FOR DECEMBER

I apologize for this edition of Timber Talk as I had it 95% done when my computer crashed and had to redo all of the pages, In the process I lost all my emails and a lot of Timber Talk files. I will be asking some people to please resubmit their articles and I apologize to those who's articles were to appear in this issue. If your article hasn't yet appeared in Timber Talk then please advise me at the addresses below as it may be one of the lost sheep,

Norm Belsten C45

nbelsten@sympatico.ca or at 86 Hamilton Dr. Newmarket, ON, L3Y 3E8



VALDEZ, ALASKA WOOD

To commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Alaska Statehood, the Special Events Committee of the City of Valdez decided to incorporate the celebration of the State's 50th Anniversary in with the annual Valdez Family Fest Festival.

This event was scheduled for Saturday, January 3rd, 2009 - exactly 50 years to the day that President Eisenhower signed the Declaration creating Alaska as the new 50th State.

The Alyeska Pipeline Company (whose pipeline from Alaska's north slope oilfield terminates in Valdez) was invited to participate as a co-sponsor, and did so (see attached advert).

Valdez's neighbouring communities (Chitina, Cordova, Kennicott, McCarthy & Tonsina) were all invited to attend the Festival.

The Special Events Committee had 1,000 wooden tokens made (ordered from Arts Design Company, a local Valdez company specializing in special events items. Arts Design Company, in turn contracted the actual manufacture of the woods to Uncle Lloyds Custom Products & Engraving, of Soldotna, Alaska).

All 1,000 wooden tokens were handed out as souvenirs to attendees at the Family Fest, held in the Civic Center Ballroom, Jan. 3/09.



The printing on both sides is black. The size is the standard 1 1/2 inches/ 38 m.m..

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OFFICIAL SITE OF THE VALDEZ CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU



#### Family Fest Specials

**Lodging:**  
[Best Western, Valdez Harbor Inn](#)  
**888.222.3440**  
[info@valdezhaborinn.com](mailto:info@valdezhaborinn.com)  
 Special Weekend Rate Jan 2 - 4.  
 Standard Room - \$59.00/ Night.  
 Plus Tax

[Mountain Sky Hotel & Suites](#)  
**800.478.4445**  
[info@mountainskyhotelsuite.com](mailto:info@mountainskyhotelsuite.com)  
 Saturday January 3, 2009 Stand  
 Room - \$59.00 Plus Tax

[Totem Inn Hotel & Suites](#)  
**888.808.4431**  
[info@toteminn.com](mailto:info@toteminn.com)  
 Package the Weekend #1 Friday  
 January 2, 2009  
 Standard Deluxe - \$79.00  
 Saturday January 3, 2009  
 Standard Deluxe - \$59.00  
 Plus Tax

Package the Weekend #2  
 for \$259.00 Plus Tax.  
 Friday & Saturday in a Luxury Su  
 and receive a meal allowance of  
 \$59.00 for our warm and friendly  
 Totem Inn Restaurant. A \$40.00  
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**Dining:**  
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**888.808.4431**  
[info@toteminn.com](mailto:info@toteminn.com)  
 Alaska Mixed Grill - \$19.59  
 Reindeer Sausage Link, 4oz Alas  
 Halibut, & Grilled Shrimp, creat  
 dish that reminds us why we LOv  
 Alaska! Served with herb roasted  
 red potatoes.

#### EVENTS CALENDAR

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### JOIN US IN VALDEZ AS WE CELEBRATE ALASKA'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

☆☆☆☆ PRIZES! FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! PRIZES! ☆☆☆☆



**8:00AM - 11:00AM - FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST** - EAGLES HALL  
 DONATIONS TOWARDS "THE CHILDREN'S PLACE" WILL BE GRACIOUSLY ACCEPTED



**10:30AM - 1:30PM - FUN IN THE SNOW** - EAGLES REST RV PARK  
 FOR ALL AGES! SNOW SCULPTING \* DOG SLED RIDES \* SNOWSHOE RELAYS  
 Hot Chocolate \* Burn Barrels



**1:30PM - 5:30PM - FAMILY FEST** - CIVIC CENTER BALLROOMS  
 LOTS OF PRIZES & DRAWINGS!  
 KIDS GAMES \* Wii TOURNAMENT \* WEBKINZ BINGO \* DIGITAL SCAVENGER HUNT  
 ALASKA TRIVIA \* MAGICIAN \* FACE PAINTING \* BALLOON MAGIC \* AND MUCH MORE!  
 HOT DOGS \* 3 FOOT TALL BIRTHDAY CAKE & ICE CREAM



**5:45PM - BONFIRE** Free Glow Sticks & Bracelets



**6:00PM - FIREWORKS**

**\*\*\* Thank You Sponsors \*\*\***

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